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Examiner : Walter Dean Griffin
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: AROMATIC COMPOUNDS

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CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated April 14, 2003 from July 14, 2003 to October 14, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$950.00 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

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